

Amendments to the Claims

1. (Original) A herbicide composition comprising at least one acid herbicide and at least one surfactant in an effective amount such that said acid herbicide is dissolved in the surfactant and said at least one surfactant is present in a quantity equal to or greater than said at least one acid herbicide.

Claims 2-90 cancelled

91.(New) A microemulsion-forming-concentrate comprising herbicide compound in acid form and at least one surfactant, wherein the concentrate can be combined with water to form a microemulsion wherein the herbicide in the acid form is 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid or dicamba acid or a mixture thereof.

92. (new) The concentrate of claim 91 consisting of said herbicide compound in acid form and said surfactant.

93. (new) The concentrate of claim 91 consisting essentially of said herbicide compound in acid form and said surfactant.

94. (new) The concentrate of claim 91 comprising from 15 to 20 parts by weight of said herbicide compound in acid form, and from 80 to 85 parts by weight of said surfactant.

95. (new) The concentrate of claim 91 comprising 20 parts by weight of said herbicide compound in acid form, and 80 parts by weight of said surfactant.

96. (new) The concentrate as claimed in claim 91, wherein said surfactant is selected from the group consisting of C₁₁ alcohol (3EO) ethoxylate, nonylphenol (6EO) ethoxylate, polyoxyethylene (20) sorbitan monolaurate, C₁₁ alcohol (6EO) ethoxylate phosphate ester and mixtures thereof.

97. (new) The concentrate of claim 91 consisting of: 80 parts by weight surfactant, 20 parts by weight herbicide compound in acid form selected from the group consisting of 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid, dicamba acid and mixtures thereof.

98. (new) The concentrate of claim 91 wherein the concentrate contains from about 25 to about 30 parts by weight 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid, and from about 70 to about 75 parts by weight of said surfactant selected from the group consisting of a C₁₁ alcohol (3EO) ethoxylate, C₁₁ alcohol (6EO) ethoxylate phosphate ester and mixtures thereof.

99. (new) A microemulsion comprising the microemulsion-forming-concentrate as claimed in claim 91 and water.

100. (new) A method of applying a herbicide, the method comprising: preparing the microemulsion-forming-concentrate as claimed in claim 91, diluting the microemulsion

with water.

101. (new) The method of claim 100, further comprising applying the herbicide composition to a plant to control plant growth, while the herbicide compound is in acid form.

102. (new) A method of preparing the microemulsion-forming-concentrate as claimed in claim 91, the method comprising combining said herbicide compound in acid form with said surfactant, to produce a microemulsion-forming-concentrate that can be combined with water to form a microemulsion.

103. (new) A method of preparing a microemulsion, the method comprising: preparing the microemulsion-forming-concentrate as claimed in claim 91, by a method comprising combining said herbicide compound in acid form with said surfactant to produce a microemulsion-forming-concentrate that can be combined with water to form a microemulsion, and combining the microemulsion-forming-concentrate with water to form a microemulsion.

104. (new). A microemulsion-forming-concentrate comprising herbicide compound in acid form and surfactant, wherein the concentrate can be combined with water to form a microemulsion.